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### **L.C. Doane Company and Tri Town Precision Plastics Complete Solar PV Installations**

#### *Manufacturers in Lower Connecticut River Valley Go Green*

**Rocky Hill, Conn., April 15, 2009** — The Connecticut Clean Energy Fund (CCEF) today announced that solar photovoltaic (PV) installations at the L.C. Doane Company of Ivoryton, Conn., and Tri Town Precision Plastics Inc. of Deep River, Conn., are completed and successfully operating. Both installations were supported with grants from CCEF's On-Site Renewable Distributed Generation Program.

L.C. Doane Company's solar array, mounted on the roof of its facility at 110 Pond Meadow Road in Ivoryton, consists of more than 1,300 solar panels. The 241.2-kilowatt solar PV array is expected to generate approximately 27 percent of the electricity required by the facility, where specialized lighting equipment is manufactured. L.C. Doane Company hired Alteris Renewables (FKA: Solar Works Inc.) to install this system. A grant of \$970,898 from CCEF's On-Site Renewable Distributed Generation Program helped to make the solar installation possible, defraying over half of the total project cost.

Consisting of more than 1,100 solar panels, the 225.7-kilowatt solar PV system at Tri Town Precision Plastics is mounted on the roof of the company's 150,000 square foot facility at 12 Bridge Street in Deep River. The solar panels are expected to supply approximately seven percent of the electricity required by the company, which provides custom injection molding, toolmaking and contract manufacturing services. A grant of \$776,661 from CCEF's On-Site Renewable Distributed Generation helped to defray nearly half of the total project cost. Gloria Spire Solar served as the system installer.

According to Tri Town President Scott Goodspeed, "To succeed in today's business climate, we need clean energy solutions that enhance our bottom line. Once I knew that solar fit our company financially, I really got excited about the environmental benefits and wished we could do even more. We put panels on every bit of suitable roof space we have."

Lise Dondy, president of CCEF, said, "Manufacturers and other businesses around the state with large electrical demands continue to turn to solar energy technology to help control their energy costs – and stay competitive in their industries," said Lise Dondy. "Solar offers them a great way to improve their bottom lines while also benefiting the environment."

#### About the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund (CCEF)

CCEF was created by the Connecticut General Assembly and is funded by the electric ratepayers. CCEF's mission is to promote, develop and invest in clean energy sources for the benefit of Connecticut's ratepayers in order to strengthen Connecticut's economy, protect community health, improve the environment, and promote a secure energy supply for the state. CCEF is administered by Connecticut Innovations, a quasi-public authority. For more information on CCEF, please visit [www.ctcleanenergy.com](http://www.ctcleanenergy.com).